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The certified translation is of JP-5271097-A. A Paterra machine translation of JP-5-271097-A was filed with the Office on April 21, 2005. JP-5-271097-A (in Japanese) and its English abstract was submitted by the Applicants in the Information Disclosure Statement mailed May 15, 2003 and the Examiner made the English abstract of record in the PTO-892 received with the Office Action mailed May 13, 2004. The Applicants received this certified translation June 6, 2005.

The Applicants understand that the Examiner is under no obligation to review the submitted reference as the Issue Fee was paid on April 13, 2005, however, the Applicants would greatly appreciate review of the cited reference by the Examiner. Although a fee transmittal is not included in this submission, should the Examiner be willing to make the enclosed references of record and feels that a fee is due under 37 CFR § 1.17 (p)), the Applicants authorize such payment using the deposit account information listed below.

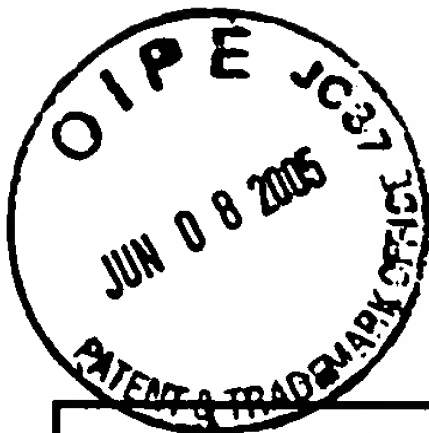
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